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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHODS AND STRUCTURES FOR PROMOTING STABLE SYNTHESIS OF CARBON NANOTUBES

the specification of which (check one below):

- ☒ is attached hereto.
- ☐ was filed on _____ as Application Serial No. _____ or Express Mail No. _____, and was amended on _____ (if applicable).
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed?

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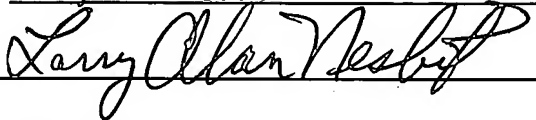
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